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## TO INCREASE YUGOSLAV IRON PRODUCTION

ROLLING MILL TO BE PARTLY COMPLETED --- Zagreb, Vjesnik, 25 Feb 51

Over 500 million dinars will be invested this year for capital construction in the ironworks at Sisak. The seamless-pipe rolling mill will cover an area of 50,000 square meters and will consist of 12 shops. It will produce three types of 100-420-millimeter seamless pipe. Seven of the 12 shops are scheduled to be completed, and the production of 100-millimeter pipe is to be tested in 1951, while the construction of the shops which will produce the other two types of pipe (medium and heavy) will be resumed. These shops are expected to be partly completed during 1952.

The "Djuro Djakovic" Enterprise will soon erect the iron framework for the roofs of the first three shops of the rolling mill. Because of an iron shortage, the other shops will be made of concrete and roofed with prestressed concrete, developed by Engineer Branko Zezelj of Belgrade.

The construction of a steel mill within the ironworks will begin during March 1951; the mill is scheduled to begin operation during 1952. This year, a power plant is scheduled to be partly completed and put in operation. A refractory-material warehouse, an ore storehouse, an oxygen plant, and a mechanical workshop are scheduled to be erected in 1951.

STEP UP IRON ORE OUTPUT -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 21 Mar 51

The iron mine at Vares, Bosnia is scheduled to have a yearly production by 1952 of eight times its present output. The four mining areas will be made into open-face mines. This year the mine will be equipped with steam shovels, as well as with steam and electric locomotives. A large cableway between Brezik and Droskovac has been ordered from abroad.

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The road through Vares, as well as the bed of the Stavnja River, will be removed from their present locations for the sake of industrial projects which will be erected there. The Brezik-Droskovac road, including a viaduct, will also be built. The sum of 170 million dinars is earmarked for projects at the iron-mining areas at Brezik and Droskovac. About 20 carloads of building material are shipped to Vares every day.

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